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The beginning (pre-service) mathematics teacher will demonstrate knowledge of and/or competency in the following areas of study:

For the teacher of:	<u>Grades 9-12</u>
1. Mathematical Processes and Tools: The beginning teacher of mathematics understands mathematical process and tools, and makes these aspects of subject matter meaningful for students. 1997 SSC: 1; CR 1-4, a-h	1. use problem solving to investigate and understand mathematical content. (G 1.2, 3.5-6; ACEI 2c; NCTM P1.1.1, M1.1.1, S1.1.1; MAA I.2)
	2. communicate mathematical ideas in writing and orally, using mathematical language and symbols. (G 2.1, 4.1; ACEI 2c; NCTM P1.2.1, M1.2.1, S1.2.1; MAA I.2, I.3)
	3. develop and evaluate mathematical conjectures and arguments to explain and validate mathematical reasoning. (ACEI 2c; NCTM P1.3, M1.3, S1.3; MAA I.1, IV.2, IV.7)
	4. use mathematical modeling to simulate events and occurrences. (G 1.8, 3.2; ACEI 2c; NCTM M1.5, S1.5.4, S1.5.11; MAA I.4)
	5. analyze and articulate connections within mathematics (G 1.6; ACEI 2c; NCTM P1.4.2, M1.4.2, S1.4.2; MAA I.2)
	6. analyze and articulate connections of mathematics to other disciplines through applications (G 2.4; ACEI 2c; NCTM P1.4.2, M1.4.2, S1.4.2; MAA I.2)
	7. understand historical development of mathematics, including the contributions of under-represented groups and diverse cultures. (G 2.3, 2.4; ACEI 2c; NCTM P1.7, M1.8, S1.7; MAA I.6, II.2, IV.1, IV.2)
	8. use manipulatives to model and explain mathematical concepts. (G 1.4, 4.1; ACEI 2c; NCTM P1.7, M1.8, S1.7; MAA I.6, III.2, IV.1, IV.2)
	9. articulate the dynamic nature of mathematics and its significant role in social, cultural, and economic development. (G 1.6, 1.10, 4.1; ACEI 2c; NCTM S1.4.1; MAA I.3, I.6)
	10. use calculators and computers as tools to generate multiple representations of mathematical concepts. (ACEI 2c; MAA I.5)
	11. demonstrate facility with technological tools to support geometric construction/investigation, graphing, matrix exploration, and data investigation. (G 2.7; ACEI 2c; NCTM P2.3, M2.2, S2.2; MAA I.5)
	12. understand and articulate the role of technology in supporting the development of mathematical understanding. (G 1.4; ACEI 2c; NCTM P1.6.1, P1.6.2, M1.7.2, S1.6.1, S1.6.2)
2: Number Operation: The beginning teacher of mathematics understands numbers and their operations and makes these	1. understand properties of real and complex numbers, including equivalent representations of numbers (M 1, 5; ACEI 2c; NCTM P2.2.2, M1.6.1, S1.5.1; MAA II.1, III.1, IV.1)
	2. analyze the effect of and relationships among operations on real and complex numbers. (M.1; ACEI 2c; NCTM P1.5.4; MAA II.1)

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<p>aspects of subject matter meaningful for students. 1997 SSC: 2; CR 1 2, b, c</p>	<p>3. use estimation in working with quantities, measurement, computation, and problem solving. (M.1; ACEI 2c; NCTM P1.5.10; MAA II.1)</p>
	<p>4. develop, use, model, and explain computational algorithms, including multi-digit calculations involving standard algorithms, mental math, and non-standard methods commonly created by students, the reasoning behind the procedures, how the base-10 structure of a number is used in these calculations. (M.1; ACEI 2c; NCTM P1.5.10; MAA II.1)</p>
	<p>5. understand and apply numerical computation techniques (mental, paper/pencil, calculator) and extend them to algebraic expressions. (M 2; ACEI 2c; NCTM P1.5.3, M1.6.2, S1.5.3)</p>
	<p>6. understand a large repertoire of interpretations of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division and of ways they can be applied.</p>
<p>3: Geometry and Measurement: The beginning teacher of mathematics understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of geometry and measurement and makes these aspects of subject matter meaningful for students. 1997 SSC:3; CR 3</p>	<p>1. understand and apply various systems and tools of measurement and the process of measurement (e.g., understanding the idea of a unit and the need to select a unit appropriate to the attribute being measured, knowing the standard [English and metric] systems of units, understanding that measurements are approximate and that different units affect precision, comparing units and converting measurements from one unit to another. (M 2; ACEI 2c; NCTM P1.5.5, M1.6.3, S1.5.3)</p>
	<p>2. understand and apply Euclidean geometric concepts, properties, and relationships to describe and model mathematical ideas in real-world constructs, including technical vocabulary and the role of mathematical definition. (M 2; ACEI 2c; NCTM P1.5.6, M1.6.4, S1.5.4; MAA III.2)</p>
	<p>3. identify, describe, measure, compare, classify, and represent two- and three-dimensional figures. (M 2; ACEI 2c; MAA II.2)</p>
	<p>4. understand and apply trigonometric concepts, properties, and relationships. (M 2; ACEI 2c; MAA III.2)</p>
	<p>6. understand and apply concepts of motion in two- and three-dimensional space through transformations, including familiarity with projections, cross-sections, and decompositions of common two- and three-dimensional shapes; representing three-dimensional objects in two dimensions and constructing three-dimensional objects from two-dimensional representations. (M2; ACEI 2c; MAA III.2)</p>
	<p>7. perform geometric constructions using straight-edge and compass and prove that constructions yield the desired result. (M 2; ACEI 2c; NCTM M1.6.4, P1.5.4; MAA II.2)</p>
<p>4: Data Analysis, Probability, and Statistics: The beginning teacher of mathematics</p>	<p>1. collect, organize, and display data in meaningful form(s) by describing data (e.g., understanding shape, spread, and center; using different forms of representation; comparing two sets of data) (M 3, 1.8, 2.1; ACEI 2c; NCTM P1.5.7, M1.6.5, S1.5.5; MAA II.4, III.4, IV.4)</p>

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<p>understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of data analysis, probability, and statistics and makes these aspects of subject matter meaningful for students. 1997 SSC:4; CR e</p>	<p>2. use experimental and theoretical probabilities as appropriate to formulate and solve problems involving uncertainty. (M 3, 1.8, 2.1; ACEI 2c; NCTM P1.5.8, M1.6.5, S1.5.6; MAA II.4, III.4, IV.4)</p>
	<p>4. use descriptive statistics (e.g., measures of central tendency and dispersion) and inferential statistics (e.g., hypothesis testing) to analyze data and to make predictions and estimations; choose among representations and summary statistics to communicate conclusions; understand variability; understand some of the difficulties arising in sampling and inference. (M 3, 3.5; ACEI 2c; NCTM M1.6.5, S1.5.5; MAA III.4, IV.4)</p>
	<p>5. understand the kinds of questions that can be addressed by data, create data sets, and move back and forth between the question (i.e., the purpose of the study) and its design.</p>
<p>5: Patterns, Functions, & Relationships: The beginning teacher of mathematics understands patterns, functions, and relationships and makes these aspects of subject matter meaningful for students. 1997 SSC:5; CR 1-4, a-h</p>	<p>1. identify and describe patterns and relationships. (M 4, 1.6; ACEI 2c; NCTM P1.3; MAA II.3)</p>
	<p>2. represent and justify patterns and functions in multiple ways, including reading and creating graphs of functions; reading and creating formulas (in closed and recursive forms) and tables; and understanding the characteristics of particular classes of functions on integers. (M 4, 1.6, 2.2, 3.4; ACEI 2c; NCTM P1.5.9, M1.6.6, S1.5.7; MAA I.3, II.3, IV.3, III.3)</p>
	<p>3. discover and analyze functional relations which arise from diverse problem situations. (ACEI 2c; NCTM E1.4.1)</p>
	<p>4. represent and justify general arithmetic claims, using a variety of representations including algebraic notation; understand different forms of argument; and devise deductive arguments.</p>
	<p>5. use algebraic notation to represent calculation, to express identities, and to solve problems. (M 4; ACEI 2c; MAA II.3)</p>
	<p>6. use basic trigonometric relations including graphic representation and real-world application. (M 4)</p>
<p>6: Mathematical Systems: The beginning teacher of mathematics understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of mathematical systems and makes these aspects of subject matter meaningful for students. 1997 SSC:6; CR 2, 3, h</p>	<p>7. use trigonometric equations and inequalities to solve problems. (M4)</p>
	<p>1. construct logical proofs to validate or refute mathematical conjectures. (M 4)</p>
	<p>2. understand the nature and purpose of axiomatic systems, including field axioms (e.g., recognizing commutativity, associativity, distributivity, identities, and inverses as properties of operations on a given domain; seeing computation algorithms as applications of particular axioms; and appreciating that a small set of rules governs all of arithmetic) (M 5; NCTM M1.6.7, S1.5.8)</p>
	<p>3. understand and apply the major concepts of linear and abstract algebra. (M 5; NCTM S1.5.8; MAA III.3)</p>

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7: Discrete Mathematics: The beginning teacher of mathematics understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of discrete mathematics and makes these aspects of subject matter meaningful for students. 1997 SSC:7; CR 1-4, b, d-f	1. use a variety of counting techniques and principles (e.g., permutations and combinations). (M 6; ACEI 2c; NCTM S1.5.10; MAA IV.6)
	2. identify, model, and analyze situations represented by discrete and continuous data. (M 6; ACEI 2c; NCTM P, M, S1.5.10)
	3. represent problem situations using discrete structures (e.g., sets, finite graphs, matrices, sequences, and recurrence relations). (M 6; NCTM S1.5.10; MAA IV.6)
	4. understand and use algorithmic and recursive techniques in solving problems. (M 6; NCTM M1.6.9; MAA IV.6)
	5. represent and solve problems using linear programming and difference equations. (M 6; NCTM S1.5.10; MAA IV.6)
8: Concepts of Calculus: The beginning teacher of mathematics understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the calculus and makes these aspects of subject matter meaningful for students. 1997 SSC:8; CR 1, d	2. understand and apply the concepts of limit, continuity, differentiation, integration, and other continuous processes. (G 2.2; NCTM S1.5.9; MAA IV.3, IV.5)
	3. use properties and techniques of calculus to model two- and three-dimensional phenomena. (G 2.2; NCTM S1.5.9; MAA IV.5)
	4. understand and apply infinite sequences, infinite series, and power series. (NCTM S1.5.1; MAA III.1)